

Frequency

I'm A Prophet

- We've been talking about hearing the voice of God in this series and in groups throughout the week. We CAN hear God and we are learning HOW to hear Him.
- Week 1: I'm a Sheep, Week 2: I'm a Friend, This Week: I'm a Prophet
- Not the office of the prophet as in the 5-Fold Ministry but the Bible teaches us that we can ALL prophesy.

Numbers 11:24-29 (NKJV)

²⁴ So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord, and he gathered the seventy men of the elders of the people and placed them around the tabernacle. ²⁵ Then the Lord came down in the cloud, and spoke to him, and took of the Spirit that was upon him, and placed the same upon the seventy elders; and it happened, when the Spirit rested upon them, that they prophesied, ^[a] although they never did so again. ²⁶ But two men had remained in the camp: the name of one was Eldad, and the name of the other Medad. And the Spirit rested upon them. Now they were among those listed, but who had not gone out to the tabernacle; yet they prophesied in the camp. ²⁷ And a young man ran and told Moses, and said, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." ²⁸ So Joshua the son of Nun, Moses' assistant, one of his choice men, answered and said, "Moses my lord, forbid them!" ²⁹ Then Moses said to him, "Are you ^[b] zealous for my sake? Oh, that all the Lord's people were prophets and that the Lord would put His Spirit upon them!"

All Can Prophecy.

- Moses is saying wouldn't it be great for God to put His Spirit on all people!
- Remember is Acts 2? It Happens!!

Acts 2:16-18 (NKJV)

¹⁶ But this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: ¹⁷ 'And it shall come to pass in the last days, says God, That I will pour out of My Spirit on all flesh; Your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, Your young men shall see visions, Your old men shall dream dreams. ¹⁸ And on My menservants and on My maidservants, I will pour out My Spirit in those days; And they shall prophesy.

1 Corinthians 14:31 (NKJV)

For you can all prophesy one by one, that all may learn, and all may be encouraged.

- All, and you can.
- Prophecy is giving a message from God to someone. If we can all prophesy, then we can all hear God.
- Acts 2 is a fulfillment of Moses;' prayer, "Oh, that the Lord's people were prophets.

- Notice the 70: They prophesied but never again. Why? Because the Spirit came on them but didn't remain.
- The Spirit remains on Believers through the Baptism in the Holy Spirit.
- Jesus was the first person to be baptized in the Holy Spirit.

John 1:33 (NKJV)

I did not know Him, but He who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'Upon whom you see the Spirit descending, and remaining on Him, this is He who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.'

- The Holy Spirit wants to walk beside us. We may not always yield to Him, but He is always there. He is active and speaking. He doesn't play games. He is not silent or playing charades.
- Jesus told us, "When He comes, He will speak..." He wants to tell you things.

Story:

Prophesy Is Not Manipulative.

- Prophesy isn't getting someone to do what you want. It's not feeling something for someone then adding "thus says the Lord."

Jeremiah 23:25-26, 31-32 (NKJV)

²⁵ 'I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in My name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' ²⁶ How long will this be in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies? Indeed, they are prophets of the deceit of their own heart,

³¹ Behold, I am against the prophets," says the Lord, "who use their tongues and say, 'He says.' ³² Behold, I am against those who prophesy false dreams," says the Lord, "and tell them, and cause My people to err by their lies and by their recklessness. Yet I did not send them or command them; therefore, they shall not profit this people at all," says the Lord.

Ezekiel 22:28 (NKJV)

²⁸ Her prophets plastered them with untempered mortar, seeing false visions, and divining lies for them, saying, 'Thus says the Lord God,' when the Lord had not spoken.

- Be careful with "Thus says the Lord."
- Better: "I was praying for you, and I felt like..."
- 3rd Command "Don't use the Lord's name in vain" means that we don't use His name selfishly."
- We need to be people who can discern whether a "word" given to us is actually a Word from God.
 1. Does it align with Scripture?
 2. Does it align with what the Holy Spirit has been speaking to you?
- We are going to miss it sometimes. It's okay because we are learning!

Prophecy Is Encouraging.

1 Corinthians 14:1 (NKJV)

Pursue love, and desire spiritual gifts, but especially that you may prophesy.

- Raise your hand: How many will pursue love? Desire spiritual gifts? Desire prophecy?

Verse 3

But he who prophesies speaks edification and exhortation and comfort to men.

- Edification: Built Up Exhortation: Strengthened and Comfort
- Scriptural Test: If you get word that brings turmoil, heart ache, stress, and uneasiness it's not a Word from God.
- God corrects us all of the time through spiritual authority and brothers and sisters, but it's not prophecy. **Prophecy edifies, exhorts, and comforts.**

1 Corinthians 14:31 (NKJV)

For you can all prophesy one by one, that all may learn, and all may be encouraged.

God wouldn't say you could if you couldn't.

- He's a good Father. He wants us to desire it and do it. And if He wants us to tell others what He is saying then it means we can hear Him.

Acts 4:36 (NKJV)

³⁶And Joses, who was also named Barnabas by the apostles (which is translated Son of Encouragement), a Levite of the country of Cyprus,

- Paul and Barnabas are popular NT characters, but Barnabas was renamed.
- His parents named him Joses (Exalted), but the Apostles said if Encouragement had a son, it would be you.
- Challenging question for all of us:

What name would your friends give you?

- Son/Daughter of anger, criticism, or Encouragement???
- Encourage means to put courage in someone. Discourage means to take courage out.

Revelation 19:10 (NKJV)

... for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy."

- Is it possible that you've already been moving in prophesy and didn't realize it? Have you ever felt led to send a card, make a call, send a text, give someone a Scripture and they confirm that they needed it, or it was the same thing God was saying to them.
- If prophesy is encouragement and prophesy is from God, what does this tell us about our God. He wants us to be full of courage!

RESPONSE

- What is the Holy Spirit saying to me through this message?
- Join a Frequency Group this week and dig deeper.